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See Kelley suggested changes (as well as my blue changes to his changes).

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Good Afternoon,

The first draft of this week's report is below for your review. Please send any comments or additional items by 1pm tomorrow.

Thank you,

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# OSP Weekly Report Week of September 12 – September 16, 2016

#### **Tire Crumb**

- Synthetic turf fields: The U.S. Army is continuing its collection of tire crumb samples from synthetic turf fields across the U.S.
- On September 8, OLEM briefed OSP, NERL, CDC, and CPSC team members on its efforts to collect information on tire crumb manufacturing and use, and on its outreach activities with NGOs to listen to their concerns related to playing on fields containing tire crumb. Any objection to cutting the Sept 8 item since it is from last week? I think we should ask Fred. Because this meeting took place after we compiled the information last week (and there was no report last week) they do not have this information downstairs.

#### **TSCA Rulemakings**

 On September 15, OSP participated in a workgroup meeting to discuss (among other topics) ORD's recent comments (which Region 5 supports) on the draft regulatory language for two near-term TSCA regulations that will put in place new procedures for chemical prioritization and risk evaluation. On September 12, Region 5 expressed support for our comments on the draft risk evaluation rule, to be discussed at a September 15 workgroup meeting.

 On September 20, Jim Jones, OCSPP AA, will be briefed by the cross-Agency workgroups on the current status of these two rulemakings

## **Glyphosate**

This week OSP and NCEA provided input on the charge questions for the October FIFRA
 Science Advisory Panel (SAP) meeting and also had significant comments on OPP's draft
 glyphosate carcinogenicity issue paper, which OPP wants to present at the SAP
 meetingfor presentation at an October FIFRA Science Advisory Panel (SAP) meeting.
 Additionally, ORD provided input into the SAP charge questions. These documents and
 supporting materials will be posted to the SAP public website on September 16.

# **Lead and Copper Rule**

• OSP is developing a briefing for Tom Burke on OW's lead and copper rule revisions. The briefing, which is scheduled for September 20, will focus on key elements of the current lead and copper rule, OW's proposal, ORD's comments on OW's proposal and the soon-to-be-publicly released health-based action level for lead.

# PFOA/PFOS manuscript review

- OSP led ORD's (OSP, NHEERL, NERL, and NCEA) review of a draft OW manuscript entitled: Temporal and Demographic Patterns of PFOS and PFOA Exposure and the Relationship with Fish Consumption, in the U.S. General Population, NHANES 1999-2012. In addition to OSP, scientists from NHEERL, NERL and NCEA all provided comments on the manuscript. The most significant comment requests that OW provide more overriding concern is that the manuscript lacks clarity on how the authors calculated national fish consumption rates for the general public.
- OW has indicated that they will provide ORD with several related reports for our review in the coming months.

## **EPA Software helping Louisiana officials respond to the recent flood**

- On September 8, OSP's Superfund and Technology Liaison in Region 6, Terry Burton, gave a presentation to the National Homeland Security Research Center (NHSRC) <u>Subcommittee on Disaster Reduction</u> (SDR) on two EPA software applications that were used by state and federal officials during the recent flooding in Louisiana. The two applications make it easier for staff to track field data for drinking water, wastewater, soil and sediment during disaster situations while eliminating sources of error and decreasing the time needed to publish required reports. The SDR advises the <u>White House Office of Science and Technology Policy</u> (OSTP) about relevant risk reduction resources and the related work of SDR member agencies, including the EPA. Were the two apps developed by ORD?
- was invited by NHSRC to participate on a teleconference on September 8 with the
   <u>Subcommittee on Disaster Reduction</u> (SDR) to present new EPA technologies used during
   the recent Louisiana flood response. Terry and the Region 6 On-Scene Coordinator
   discussed their use of two software applications, Response Manager and Flex Viewer that
   allow staff to more easily track field data for drinking water, wastewater, soil and sediment
   during disaster situations while eliminating sources of error and decreasing the time needed

to publish required reports. Several members of the SDR were interested in learning more about the application of the software for disaster response efforts. The SDR advises the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) about relevant risk reduction resources and the related work of SDR member agencies, including the EPA.